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Dear Chinese Taipei Tennis Association,

Australian Open Asia Pacific Wildcard Playoff Player Invitation Letter

I hope all is well. The reason I am writing is to introduce to you the new way of determining the Asia Pacific wildcard for main draw of the Australian Open.

As you are aware, each year, the Australian Open awards a main draw wildcard to the highest ranked player from the Asia Pacific region in both men's and women's singles. However, in reviewing this, we decided to give more players an opportunity. Therefore, we are pleased to announce the Australian Open Asia Pacific Wildcard Playoff.

The Playoff will be hosted by the China Tennis Association and held at the Tennis Academy of China, Nanjing, in the People's Republic of China. Details are as follows:

Entry deadline:	Monday 1 October 2012
Qualifying:	Monday 15 October to Wednesday 17 October 2012
Main Draw:	Thursday 18 October to Sunday 21 October 2012.

For specific details, please refer to the enclosed fact sheet.

To be eligible to play in the Wildcard Playoff, men must have a World Ranking of 105 or above and women must have a ranking of 109 or higher. So, for example, players ranked 200 would be eligible, whereas players ranked 99 would not.

We are excited about this new initiative and look forward to supporting the continued success of players in the Asia Pacific region. If you have any questions, please contact the Wildcard Playoff Tournament Director, Alistair Macdonald, at amacdonald@tennisaustralia.com.au.

Please pass this information on to any players and coaches from your federation who might be interested in participating.

Yours sincerely,

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Australian Open Asian Wildcard Playoff